



New Mexico Racing Commission
4900 Alameda NE
Albuquerque, NM 87113

Ruling #: 2025-SUN-70
Track Sunland Park
Ruling Date: 3/15/2025

Licensee: OCHOA-PENA, GERARDO

License Type: 2025 1 Year Trainer Applicant Id: 21264
License Number: 314903

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Action Type: Case Continued
Ruling:
RE: 2025-SUN-70 - Case Continued

3/21/2025

Trainer, Gerardo Ochoa-Pena having been duly notified and having failed to appear on time for his summary suspension hearing which was held in absentia before the Sunland Park Board of Stewards on March 21, 2025. After hearing testimony and viewing evidence presented the stewards determined that Mr. Ochoa-Pena shall remain summarily suspended (per rule 15.2.1.9 (A)(3)(a)) pending the outcome of his disciplinary hearing. The summary suspension is regarding a medication violation on March 1, 2025, for first place finisher "Featured Liberty" from the 9th race at Sunland Park Sample E548069 tested positive for the drug Clenbuterol a class 3 penalty A drug. An affidavit from Industrial Laboratories (the official laboratory for the NMAC.) on March 14th, 2024, reported the presence of Clenbuterol confirmed in blood.

Gerardo Ochoa-Pena. was listed as the Trainer of "Featured Liberty" at the time of this race.

This ruling is written in accordance with NMAC:

NMAC 15.2.3.8 B. (1) (3)(e) (f) (g) (j) STEWARDS:

15.2.1.9 A(3)(a-c) DUE PROCESS AND DISCIPLINARY ACTION:

A. Proceedings before the stewards:

NMAC 15.2.6.9 MEDICATIONS AND PROHIBITED SUBSTANCES:

NMAC 15.2.6.9. C. (1) (4)(8)(a)(c)(9)(10)(a-d) MEDICATION RESTRICTIONS:

NMAC 15.2.6.11 (A)(B) TRAINER RESPONSIBILITY: The purpose of this subsection is to identify responsibilities of the trainer that pertain specifically to the health and well being of horses in their care.

NMAC 16.47.1.8 (L)(1)(e)(g)(h)(i)(o)

NMAC 16.47.1.10 B. (1)(2) ABSOLUTE INSURER:

NMAC 16.47.1.8.U. PROTECTION OF HORSES:

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15.2.1.9(A)(4)(a) Notice

15.2.1.9 (A)(4)(c) Last Known Address

15.2.3.8 (B)(3)(a)(e) Stewards Disciplinary Action

15.2.3.8 (B)(1)(a)(c)(d)(e) Stewards General Authority

16.47.1.8.(T) Knowledge of Rules

16.47.1.3 Statutory Authority

16.47.1.8 (A)(1)(2) License Required



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By Order of The Sunland Park Stewards

David Amador

Geoff Wapler

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